MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

PRESIDENT: This is only a verbal amendment. It has been moved and seconded. In Clause 7, sub-clause (5), the following amendments be made:—

(*a*) for the word "be" occurring between "shall" and "preferred" substitute the words "not lie if not",

(*b*) for the word "the" occurring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our", and

(*c*) for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said".

The amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move as follows:—

"*In Clause 19, sub-clause (5)*

(*a*) *for the words "be preferred before the expiry of" substitute the words "not lie if not preferred within"*,

(*b*) *for the word "the" occurring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our" and*

(*c*) *for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said"*

The Clause as it now stands reads thus:—

"An appeal shall be preferred before the expiry of sixty days from the date of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) unless the appellant satisfies the Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the prescribed period".

As amended the Clause will read thus:—

"An appeal shall not lie if not preferred within sixty days from the date of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) unless the appellant satisfies Our Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the said period".

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

PRESIDENT: Moved and seconded —

In Clause 19, sub-clause (5)

(*a*) for the words "be preferred before the expiry of" substitute the words "not lie if not preferred within",

(*b*) for the word "the" occuring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our", and

(*c*) for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said"

That also is purely a verbal amendment.

The amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I now beg to move that the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation Bill, as now amended, be finally passed

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

PRESIDENT: Moved and seconded that the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation, Bill as non amended be passed.

The motion was carried and the Bill was passed into law.

THE TRAVANCORE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES BILL.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Before moving for the passing of the Travancore Co-operative Societies Bill I beg to move as follows:—

In Clause 1, sub-clause (1) substitute the figure 1112 for the figure 111.

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

PRESIDENT: It has been moved and seconded that in Clause 1, sub-clause (1), the figure 1112 substituted for thefigure 111.

The amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I beg to move that the Bill as now amended be passed.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried and the Bill was passed.

THE TRAVANCORE TRADE UNIONS BILL.—(*contd.*)

Clause 14.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Yesterday I have moved that in Clause 14, the sub-clause (2) be delete. By moving that amendment what I wanted to achieve was to restore the Bill to its original position as it was introduced by Government and as it exists in British India and elsewhere. I wish to point out that the amendment that was made in the Select Committee was a very strange amendment and I also contend that the Select Committee had gone beyond its powers and against the principles enunciated in the Bill as shown in the statement of objects and reasons. Yesterday I was not able to lay my finger on the exact wording in the statement of objects and reasons, wherein it has been stated as a matter of principle that this Bill or this legislative measure is a purely permissive one. Against that principle of the Bill being purely permissive now what is sought to be enacted is to make it compulsory for the Unions to be registered and to put a penalty upon all organisations that do not get themselves registered. I wish to refer to the exact portion of the statement of objects and reasons, as it appears. It is stated :—

> "The legal position of Trade Unions which do not register, whatever it is, will be unaffected by this measure. In other words, the measure is purely permissive."

There is a clear assurance given by the Law Member. It is in the face of this assurance and in accordance with this Principle that this House accepted the general principle of the Bill and sent it on to the Select Committee. I contend that the Select Committee was not competent to go beyond this clear direction and make it compulsory for all Trade Unions to get themselves registered if they wanted to exist. I further contend that according to the Preamble of the Bill this is a Bill to provide for the registration of Trade Unions; "*to provide for*" and not to compel, "and in certain respects to define the law relating to registered Trade Unions in Travancore". Both these objects have been violated. It is not a provision for the registration of Trade Unions but it is a restriction on the existence of any organisation by workers without getting themselves registered that has been enacted. By an amendment to Clause 30 (1) it has been incorporated :—

> "Whoever in contravention of the provisions of Section 14, sub-section (2), forms any Trade Union or takes any part in the functions of any Trade Union shall fore every such act be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees."

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